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ORANGEVALE MAN INDICTED ON CHILD PORNOGRAPHY CHARGES

FRESNO-- United States Attorney McGregor W. Scott announced today that a federal grand jury sitting in Fresno returned an indictment against LUIS AROLD ZUNIGA, 42, of Orangevale, California, charging him with use of a facility of interstate commerce to induce a minor to engage in criminal sexual activity.

This case was investigated by Detective Ken Hedrick of the Stanislaus County Sheriff's Department, and Special Agent Ulises Solorio with the United States Department of Homeland Security, Immigration and Customs Enforcement.

The indictment alleges that from April 10, 2006 through May 21, 2006, LUIS AROLD ZUNIGA, who is a respiratory therapist, used the Internet to attempt to persuade, induce, entice, and coerce a person who he believed to be a thirteen-year-old girl to engage in illegal sexual activity.

According to Assistant United States Attorney Shiela K. Oberto, who is prosecuting the case, the possible prison sentence for this offense ranges from a mandatory minimum of five years in prison to a maximum of thirty years.

The charges are only allegations and the defendant is presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty beyond a reasonable doubt.

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